

Application No. 10/708,659
Amndt. dated October 25, 2004
Reply to Office Action of July 23, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

The examiner has objected to claims 5, 15, and 18. Claims 5, 15, and 18 have been amended to overcome these objections.

The Examiner has rejected claims 2, 6, 8-12, and 14 under 35 U.S.C. 112. Claims 2, 6, 8-12 and 14 have been amended to overcome these rejections. In particular, these amendments to overcome the Examiner's objections and rejections have not been narrowing amendments. These amendments were to correct errors created by the U.S.P.T.O online filing system which removed particular words from the originally created claims.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-2 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by Solomon.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 16-19 and 21 as being anticipated by 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Avital.

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The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 13, 14, 16 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Gemma.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Cabrera et al.

Furthermore, the Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Castleman.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, and 9-10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Dana.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 2, 6-7 as being anticipated by Kaufman in view of Solomon.

The Examiner has rejected claim 5 Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being anticipated by Cabrera et al.

The Examiner has created claims 3-5 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Solomon.

The Examiner has stated that claims 11 and 12 are allowable.

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In response, the applicant has amended claim 1 to include:

d) a line wherein said puppet is coupled to
said book via said line.

In addition claim 1 has been amended so that the puppet is
now described as a:

c) a puppet coupled to said book wherein said
puppet can be stored in said container and
wherein said puppet is in the form of at
least one finger puppet ; and

The applicant believes that none of the above cited
references include the elements of newly amended claim 1.
Therefore the applicant believes that claim 1 is patentable over
the above cited patents taken either singly or in combination.

Accordingly, The applicant believes that the remaining
claims are written to overcome the rejections of the Examiner.
Accordingly, the applicant respectfully requests early allowance
of the remaining claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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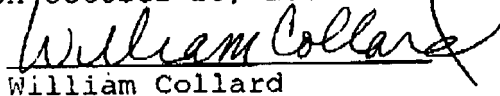
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